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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,862,802
AB United States Patent No. 5,555,880
AC United States Patent No. 4,788,974
AD United States Patent No. 4,747,402
AE United States Patent No. 4,637,386
AL United Kingdom Application 2 177 311
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EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were among the references cited in a Search Report dated September 12, 2003 rendered by the European Patent Office during examination proceedings of the counterpart European application. A copy of the European Search Report is enclosed. The other references cited therein already have been made of record in the present United States application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith. Since all of these references are in English, no further commentary beyond the designation in the European Search Report is necessary.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), after the final rejection. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel states, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that each of the above items was first cited by a foreign Patent Office during examination of a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. Also, this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), and therefore consideration of the prior art identified herein is respectfully requested.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination, or in combination with any of the other references already of record.

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